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REVENUE **(194 ·) Department.**

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G.O. No. 1275

Dated 23-6-1944.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Village officers - (Bellary) - Raya and Basavanna channels - Mirgantis - Replacement by lascars under the control of the Public Works Department - Orders passed.

Back papers.

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The Adviser to His Excellency the Governor
P.W. Department
Madras.

Sir,

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Sub.ect:. Food urgent - Repairs to Kaya channel of Tungabhadra river Bellary Dt.

We the ryots of Malapanagudi and Kamalapuram area place before the Government the following serious defects in the Kaya channel of Tungabhadra river which have caused poor yield of paddy in the last harvest at a time when food problem is serious in our famine stricken district of Bellary.

i. The Kaya channel has an extensive Ayacut under it (about 5000 acres). It is in a neglected condition in the lower reaches of Malapanagudi and Kamalapuram as for years silt is not removed and proper repairs are not effected to the channel and the sluices rank vegetation has grown all along the sides and there is accumulation of silt wherever there are cross drainages. As a result of this water does not properly flow into the channel and the field channels.

ii. The levels of some of the sluices in the lower reaches are higher than the normal level of water in the channel and there is considerable trouble in the flow of water. It is impossible in some cases to take water to the lands through the sluices.

For opening the sluices for lands in the upper reaches and certain other sluices for those in the lower reaches but it is ineffective because the Neergantis who are under the dual control of the Revenue Department and the P.W.D. and also under the influence of the rich ryots who have the advantage of the upper reaches and wish to take water whenever it suits them, open the sluices on principle of first come first served. The result is that some ryots get water in excess [illegible]

...this state of ... has never reached such a ... that at one time ... less than 24 locks of the sluices or shercaboots were broken by certain selfish people and ... wasted. In consequence, our lands were deprived of water. We brought this chaotic state of affairs to the notice of the P.W.D. and Revenue authorities on the spot both personally and by petition. The answer of the P.W.D. was that the ... were under the control of the Revenue authorities, that they were irremoveable and the best they could do was only to repo... which was always ineffective and did not stop the evil. As we had no relief we had to organise a party of 50 or 60 ryots and coolies at considerable cost and got the sluices guarded through out the nights ourselves lest the whole crop should perish for want of water. In spite of all this trouble and cost we could not get sufficient water in the channel and to our fields and tank. Due to these difficulties we had a poor harvest last December. At times we were so much discouraged that we even thought wether it was worthwhile to cultivate the lands under such conditions and at prohibitive cost of manure etc. If this state of affairs is repeated, this year also, it will be disastrous particularly during war time when food problem is serious.

We submit that in our difficulties and despair we are encouraged by the following announcement of the Government of India in the last budget.

" The Government of India are determined to spare no effort to increase the production of ø/ essential food commodities and are anxious that at this stage no scheme which affords promise of making an early and substantial contribution to this end should be excluded from consideration on purely financial grounds. We have provided in the budget a round sum of 50 lakhs but we would not limit our expenditure to this figure if further outlay were to offer a really enhanced prospect of relieving the project. The scope for planned agriculture and improvement of food production under Maya Channel is immense ... to be effected ... kindly ... to the attention ... Government ... undertake remedial measures ...

interests of food front and war effort and that save us from the above serious handicaps.

It will not be out of place for us to mention that the improvements to Nasavanna Channel ~~was~~ were mainly meant to supplement the water supply to the tail end lands of Naya channel. Even after the improvements are done the difficulty of getting water to the tail end lands has not gone down.

~~We submit~~ that a thorough investigation may be made and the following among other works carried out urgently to minimise the serious difficulty that is experienced now.

(i) Removal of silt every year in the leading and upper reaches of Naya channel and also at the places whereever cross drainages exist.

(ii) Removal of silt in the leading channel of Nasavanna channel to enable the water to flow more freely to the tail end to supplement the supply in the Naya channel.

(iii) All the leakages in the sluices to be attended to and stopped and suitable improvements effected.

(iv) Steps ~~are to~~ should be taken immediately to remove the dual control of the Neerganti.

(v) It is advisable to hold conferences of the ryots at frequent intervals by giving wide publicity so ~~that~~ the ryots concerned To represent their difficulties in time.

All this means finance but it will not be a loss to the Government even if 25% of the Revenue derived from the Naya c a is spent every year on the improvement to have an assured supply of water to the tail end lands which yeild a considerab

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Advocate
Bellary.

Endt. No. 2239-U/43-1, 26.4.43 from V.D.

Referred to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation for remarks which should be sent through the Board of Revenue

Under Secretary to Govt.

Chief Engineer
for Irrigation

Endt. No. 1623/430-1, 29.4.43

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From (Name) Sri Rao Bahadur N.Govindaraja Ayyangar, B.A., B.E.
Designation Chief Engineer for Irrigation,
Station Chepauk, Madras.

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To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

Through the Board of Revenue.

Enclosures :

No. 1623/43-C-2 dated 12th July 1943.

OFFICE OF G.486 14 JUL 1943

Sir,

Sub: Channels - Bellary - Raya channel - Repairs.
Ref: Govt.Endt.No.2939 V/43-1 dated 26-4-1943. pamte

I forward herewith a copy of Executive Engineer's letter No.750-S.E. dated 30-6-1943 which explains the situation fully.

2. I enclose herewith a copy of my inspection remarks in the matter of the silt clearance of these channels. The silt clearance is necessary and I have asked the Executive Engineer to have it done when opportunity occurs to close down the channels. The channels irrigate large extents of sugarcane and so cannot be closed for long periods. The silt clearance will be done in instalments and in 1943 itself to the extent possible.

3. I met the Sub Collector of Hospet on the 30th and he told me that the Nirgantis hold inams for the services they render and that unless the inams are withdrawn and lascars are engaged in their stead, it will be impossible to get the Nirganties to discharge their duties properly. I suggest that this should be done soon and the P.W.D. should engage its own lascars.

4. The Government Endorsement in original is herewith returned.

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For CHIEF ENGINEER FOR IRRIGA

13/5/57

Encl: Copy of E.E's letter.
Govt. Endorsement in original.
Copy of C.F.I's inspection remarks.

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Copy of letter No.750-S.I. dated 30-5-43 from the Exe.Engr., Bellary Divn. to the Suptg.Engr., Bezwada Circle.

Sub: Raya channel - Repairs - Petition to the Hon Adviser to H.E.Governor.
Ref: Your No.330-B dated 4-5-1943 (enclosed).

I inspected the Raya channel on 26-5-43. The upper sections of the channel are silted up 3' to 4'. The depth of water in the leading channel when the front gauge records 5'-8' was only about 2½'. A certain amount of silt clearance is necessary to draw as much of the low water supply as is possible. The petition was written at a time when the whole of Bellary District was experiencing a severe draught. Conditions have changed now; there was very heavy rain throughout the district and the Tungabhadra is in flood. The monsoon has set in two months earlier than usual and practically all the tanks in the district have received their full supply; the Kamalapur tank under the Raya channel has also received its full supply; there is no necessity for any silt clearance for sometime to come; meanwhile I am getting L.S. and C.S. of the channel taken and preparing an estimate for silt clearance in the channel to the minimum extent necessary to enable normal supplies being drawn during the low stages of river flow. The estimate will be submitted to you for sanction and the work taken up during the next dry season i.e. in March or April 1944. The channel is not in a neglected condition and it is in fair order.

2. The statement that the sill levels of some of the sluices in the lower reach are higher than the normal water level in the channel is not a fact.

3. It is a fact that the nirganties do a lot of mischief with the assistance and connivance of the interested ryots. The P.W.D. have little control over them and the punishment meted out to them by the Revenue Dept.(a fine of a rupee or two) has little effect in improving their morale. The dual control over the nirganties is not working satisfactorily; to my mind the replacement of the system of nirganties by lascars under P.W.D. control appears to be the best solution and that will improve matters considerably. The nirganties cannot at present ever be transferred from the one station to another. The system of P.W.D. lascars is working very well in the Basavannah extension channel in the same area under the control of the P.W.D.

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4. During the dry season the flow in the Tungabhadra becomes as low as 150 to 200 cusecs, the available supply is being distributed as best as possible. It is not possible to give a channel full of water in all the Tungabhadra channels at this stage of river flow. Water from the Basavannah channel is being let into Raya channel whenever it is necessary to augment the supply in the latter.

5.(i) and (ii) The question of removal of silt will be taken up during 1944 as already mentioned in para 1 above: There is no necessity for it at present nor is it possible to do it now.

(iii) All major leaks in the sluices have been repaired as far as possible within the limited time allowed for closure; the others will be attended to in due course when water level goes down.

(iv) I agree that the system of nirganties should go for efficient control.

(v) Irrigation conferences are being held every year. The Officers of P.W.D. are meeting the ryots at other times also during the inspections; every officer of irrigation branch feels that his chief duty at present is to make the ryot grow more of food crops and all facilities are being given to the cultivator to increase the area under food crops.

The petition is enclosed. ----------

Extract of para 4of the instructions of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation dated 30th June 1943 in the file regarding Hayapuram tank.

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4. Tungabhadra channels.

It is reported by the ryots that heavy silt clearance is necessary in the Raya and Basavanna channels. This should be looked into, estimates prepared and silt clearing to the extent necessary should be done without delay. The shed at dam site which is the joint property of the Madras and Hyderabad Governments may be taken over paying compensation to the Hyderabad Government and maintained in good condition.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Subject.

IRRIGATION - Channels - (Bellary) - Raya Channel and Basavanna channel - Repairs - Requested. 1004

STATION: MADRAS Board's Reference G.486-43-1 Dated 24th July 1943.

From

R. Galletti, Esq., I.C.S.,
Joint Secretary, Board of Revenue.

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E. C. Wood, Esq., O.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue and Irrign.

Read the following:-

4. Mazahar from the ryots of Malapangudi and Kamalapuram villages, dated 18-4-43 to the Adviser to His Excellency the Governor.

4. Government Enforsement.2239 V-43-1 dated 26-4-43 to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

4. From the Chief Engineer(Irrigation) No.1623-43-C.2 dated 12-7-43 to the Secretary to the Government Public Works Department.

REFERENCE

Submitted to the Government. -

The Board will submit its report on the question of replacing nirganties referred to in paragraph 3 of the Chief Engineer(Irrigation)'s letter on receipt of a report that is being called for from the Collector of Bellary.

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for JOINT SECRETARY.

To the Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department (with enclosures (1)petition of the ryots (2)Chief Engineer for Irrigation's letter (3) Bellary Executive Engineer's letter.).

To the Collector of Bellary (para 2 only).

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No proposal has been submitted to the Govt. with reference to K on p 8 ante. The question may be considered separately when the C.E.(I) submits the necessary proposals.
2. The Board's further report on A above may be awaited till 1-9-43. No other remarks seem called for in the petition on pp 1-4 ante.

2. The correction of notation of S.No. 250 of Appikatla was already made in village accounts. Copies of the sketch as -- revised was also received in this Office.

Bhartipudi. The sketch for S.No. 97 was already inserted. As for the railway lands, it was requested in this Office R.C. 4708-39 dated 22-9-1939 whether the railway lands also have to be surveyed in as much as no porambokes were surveyed in agraharams. If they are to be surveyed, I presume that these lands should have been surveyed at the time of acquisition of lands for railway purposes in 1895 or so. I solicit instructions whether copies of the sketches available in the acquisition record have to be taken or the lands have to be surveyed afresh. The acquisition records will be available in the Sub Collector's Office.

3. Reply in regard to Gopapuram village will be submitted as soon as it is received from the Revenue Inspector as reported in para 1 above.

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Huz. Head Clerk,
For Collector.

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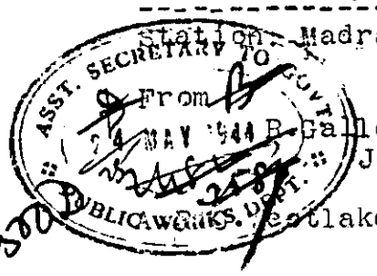
Revenue Department.
Subject.

Irrigation - Major- (Bellary) - Raya channel and Basavanna channel - Maintenance - Replacement of nirgantis by lascars under the control of the Public Works Department - Proposals - Submitted.

Station:- Madras. Ref: No.G.486/43-5. Dated: 22-5-1944.



From R. Galletti Esq., I.C.S.,
Joint Secretary, Board of Revenue, Madras.

To C. Westlake Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S., Commr. of Land Rev.& Irrgn.

Read the following papers

From the Board of Revenue, Ref.G.486/43-1 D/24-7-43.

II.

From I.F.Fraser Esq., I.C.S., Collector, Bellary. letter No. Ref.C.No.2704/43.A-2 dated 26-9-43.

Sub: Irrigation - Major - Channels - Hospet taluk - Raya channel and Basavanna channel - Repairs requested by Ryots - Report submitted..

Ref: G.486-43-1, dated 24-7-43.
Hospet Sub-Collector's L.Dis.1588/43 dated 30-6-43.
Bellary Collector's D.Dis.2769/35, dated 26-6-35.
- do - D.Dis.2368/34 dated 30-8-34.

I enclose this office D.Dis.3322/42 dated 22-12-42 relating to the complaints of P.W.D.Officers against nirganties. The attention of the Board is invited to paragraph 1 on page 2 N.F. and paragraph 3 of page 2 N.F. The C.No.cited in para 3 is not traceable. The complaints of the ryots relate to the same area. The Raya and Basavanna Channels are under the control of the P.W.D. In 1934 some ryots of Malapanagudi petitioned the Collector requesting for more water from the Raya channel. The Tahsildar Hospet, reporting on the petition, stated that nirganties were guilty of neglect and malpractices and attributed the scarcity of water in the lower reaches of the channel to leaks in the sluices and to surruptitious irrigation in the upper reaches. He considered that the control exercised by P.W.D. Officers over the nirganties was not effective. Mr.F.W.Stewart who was the Collector of Bellary then, in making suggestions to the Executive Engineer Bellary in this connection, referred to the wastage of water in the Raya and Basavanna channels owing to defective maintenance and the mischief of nirganties. He also recorded his opinion that the distribution of water would be satisfactory only when nirgantics are displaced by lascars entirely under the control of the P.W.D. The Executive Engineer informed the Collector that silt in the Basavanna channel was being cleared and that he was addressing the Government for extra estaolishment to put the two channels in order. The correspondence on this matter is contained in this office D.Dis No.2368/34 dated 30-8-34.

In 1935 the Executive Engineer Bellary recommended to the Superintending Engineer, Madras proposals for the elimination of certain defects in the Tungabhadra channels. He reported in this connection that the insufficiency of supply to the tail end of the Raya channel was chiefly due to leakage of water through the upper reaches and illicit opening of sluices during the turn days. He also said that the P.W.D.had no powers to punish the nirganties who are notorious for their indifference: evidently he meant to suggest that it was not possible for P.W.D. Officers to get the nirganties to work honestly. This Office D.Dis.No.2769/35 dated 26-6-35 contains a copy of his letter.

In April this year the ryots of Anantasayanagudi and Kondinayakanahalli villages, which are also at the tail end

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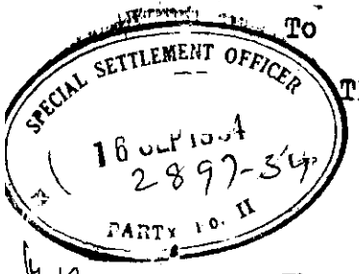

To

The Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue and Settlement,

Chepauk, Madras.

Through

The Special Assistant Settlement Officer in charge,

Revenue Settlement Party No. II, Salem.

Sir,

Humble memorial of M.R.Ry. P. Vaidyanathaswami Ayyar, Additional Supervisor, Revenue Settlement Party No. II, Salem.

The memorialist begs to submit the following few lines for the kind consideration of the Board of Revenue and favourable orders.

(1) The memorialist is a permanent Head Accountant on Rs.80 (Rs.60-4-80) in Revenue Settlement, Party No. II and has put in a service of 26 years and 7 months.

(2) During the period of his service he has worked in various capacities as Head Accountant, Head Clerk, Superintendent Additional Supervisor, Supervisor and Special Deputy Tahsildar. He has also acted as Sarishtadar for about 2 months and discharged his duties to the entire satisfaction of his superiors.

(3) As Head Clerk of the Party he had to tackle many inportant questions pertaining to the districts of Kistna and the two Godavaris. During the period he consolidated and drafted a set of instructions for the use of the party for both the Government and the estate villages which with slight modifications are being followed in other parties also.

(4) All the successive officers under whom the memorialist had the fortune to work (viz) Messrs. Watson, Priestly, Holdsworth Bennet, Vellodi, Dixon, S. Venkateswaran, Ahmed Ali Sahib Bahadur and Rajagopala Ayyangar have appreciated his work.

of the Raya channel and within a couple of miles from Malapanagudi, complained that of the ryots of Malapanagudi and Kamalapuram - the latter addressed to the Adviser to H.E. the Governor - were considered by the Sub-Collector, Hospet. He agrees with the remarks of the Executive Engineer, Bellary in his letter No.750-S.E. dated 30-5-43 to the Superintending Engineer, Bezwada. The connected disposal of the Sub-Collector's Office bearing L.Dis.No.1538/43 dated 30-6-43 is enclosed.

4/ Points 1 to 3 in the petition of the ryots to the Adviser to H.E. the Governor have been answered by the Executive Engineer, Bellary in his letter just referred to. I agree with his remarks. From past experience it has been found that as the P.W.D.Officers have no powers to punish the nirganties and as their request to Revenue Divisional Officers against nirganties usually involve protracted correspondence and considerable inconvenience, the nirganties disregard their authority. The position of P.W.D.Officers in relation to nirganties is thus peculiarly unsatisfactory. They cannot enforce the conscientious discharge of their duties by nirganties unless the latter are fully under their control. It is impossible for them to control the nirganties so long as they do not have the power to punish them. The best course would therefore be to abolish the system of nirganties in this area withdrawing their inams and fully assessing them and to employ in their place paid lascars entirely within the control, of the Public Works Department.

5/ Point 5 raised in the memorial of the Ryots calls for no action as irrigation Conferences are being held annually and P.W.D. and Revenue Officers are also frequently meeting the ryots ; and there is every scope for the latter to represent their grievances.

III.

Copy of letter No.1623/43-C.6.dated 1st Feb.1944 from the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, Madras, to the Joint Secretary.

Sub: Irrigation- Major - (Bellary) - Raya channel and Basavanna channel - maintenance - replacement of nirganties by lascars under the control of the P.W.D.

Ref: Board's Ref. No.G.486/43-2 dated 23-10-43.

The Superintending Engineer, Anantapur Circle, reports that there are now 9 nirganties on Raya channel and 6 nirganties on Basavanna channel, and that they are paid Rs.8/- each per month including an allowance of eight annas. He considers that these 15 men can be replaced by 9 lascars on Rs.12/- plus dearness allowance of Rs.6-3-0 and one Irrigation gumastah on Rs.19-½-24 plus dearness allowance of Rs.6-3-0. The proposal involves an extra expense of Rs.864 per year on cost of establishment but it is expected that this will be compensated for by an improvement in the system of management and an ultimate reduction in the cost of repairs to the channels.

Sd/- xxxx
For Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

IV.

From I.I.Fraser Esq., I.C.S., Collector, Bellary, letter No. 1985/44 dated 11-4-44.

Irrigation - Major (Bellary) Roya and Basavanna Channels - Maintenance replacement of nirganties by lascars - proposals (further particulars furnished).

Ref: Board's Ref.G.486/4383, dated 1-3-1944.

I furnish below the full particulars called for in paras 2 and 3 of the Board's Ref.G.486-43-2, dated 23-10-43 in respect of all the 15 nirganties employed on the Basavanna and

2. In 1929, the post of Head Clerk in this Party (Party No.II fell vacant and it was given to Mr. Kannan Menon unpassed man and at the same time the memorialist was recommended to the Head Clerk's post in Revenue Settlement Party No.III where the post fell vacant simultaneously. Though Mr. Kannan Menon was an unqualified man and he did never do the duties of the post still he was promoted to the rank of Head Clerk, the main considerations being that he was a retiring man and that the Government were also pleased to exempt him from passing the requisite examinations before being appointed to the post. When the memorialist represented his case, the Special Assistant Settlement Officer then in charge replied that he had recommended the memorialist's name to Party No. III where he was sure to get the post and even in case he did not get it there, he would be promoted at least when Mr. Kannan Menon retired from service. Even though the memorialist expressed his willingness to work as Head Clerk drawing the permanent pay of the post and he was also strongly recommended by the Special Assistant Settlement Officer in charge and the Board of Revenue, after much protracted correspondence the vacancy in Party No. III was filled in by appointing one Mr.--- Appavu David of Party No. IV junior to the memorialist. When Mr. Kannan menon retired from service the lien of this officer was transferred to Party No. II owing to the disbandment of Party No.I

3. The memorialist now learns that the Head Clerk's post in Party No. III has fallen vacant, and that there is a proposal to appoint one Mr. Gopalan Nayar the last man in the grade on Rs.- Rs.60-4-80. Besides the memorialist being the senior most man in the grade in Party No.II, he is also senior to all the others in the grade in other parties also except Mr.V.K.Subramania Ayyar of Party No. I where there is already a vacancy to which he could be promoted.

In this connection the memorialist begs to submit that in reply to a reference from the Board of Revenue in about May 1930, asking the officer in charge of this Party if he would spare

Roya channels, none of them holds any inam lands. They are paid the usual monthly salary as village menials.

No.& Name of the Nirantiees affected by the proposal.	Village to which each nirganti belongs.	Area or length of the channel served or allotted to each Nirganti.	Description Extent, Asst. & quitrent of the inam lands held by each Nirgantee.	Name of the channel.
1. Basappa.	Vallabhapur of Hadagalli Taluk.	1/0 to 3/0	--	Basavanna channel.
2. Mahadevappa.	Aniveri Hospet Taluk.	3/0 to 5/0	--	- do -
3. Hanumappa.	Arilihalli HPT. Tk.	5/0 to 8/0	--	- do -
4. Dodda Hanumanthappa.	- do -	8/0 to 9/4	--	- do -
5. Hulugappa.	Kanvi Basapur.	9/4 to 10/5	--	- do -
6. Khasim Sahib.	Amaravathi.	10/5 to 12/6	--	- do -
7. Mareppa.	Arilihalli.	2/0 to 4/0	--	Roya Channel.
8. Syed Sahib.	Hospet.	4/0 to 6/0	--	- do -
9. Jaderappa.	"	6/0 to 7/2	--	- do -
10. Hanumantha.	"	7/2 to 8/6	--	-do -
11. Khaja Hussain.	"	8/6 to 11/0	--	- do -
12. Gudu Sahib.	Nagenhalli.	11/0 to 14/0	--	- do -
13. Raja Sahib.	Kodinayakanahalli.	14/0 to 16/0	--	- do -
14. Lachamappa.	Malapanagudi.	16/0 to 18/0	--	- do -
15. Raja Sahib.	Kodanayakanahalli.	18/0 to 20/0	--	- do -

Sd/- xxxxx
For Collector.

Reference.

Submitted to the Government in continuation of its reference first cited above.

2. Under section 6 (2) of Madras Act III of 1895 the Board recommends the Collector's proposal for the approval of the Goverament. The Collector may however be asked to take the past service of these nirganties into consideration if they apply for any vacant village servants posts.

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23.5.44

For Joint Secretary.

To

The Secretary to the Government,
Public Works Department, with records.

List: (1) Collector's D.Dis.3322/42 dated 22-12-42.
(2) -do - 2368/34 " 30- 8-34.
(3) -do - 2769/35- " 26- 6-35 and
(4) Hospet S.C's L.Dis.1588/43 dated 30-6-1943.

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Head Clerk in Party No. III, the officer recommended that the memorialist should be given preference to Mr. M.K. Gopalan Nayar though to the misfortune of the memorialist, for such a recommendation the reasons were not fully explained in the reply to the Board of Revenue. The original file if called for and parused would prove this statement.

4. The permanent Supervisor of this Party is to retire in January next. As the next man to the post is in Party No.I, the memorialist apprehends that the consequental vacancy may go to that Party.

5. Thus the memorialist has not only lost more than two chances in the Party itself but also not likely to get any chance of being promoted to the rank of Head Clerk in the near future, even though he stands senior most in the grade for no fault of hi

6. The memorialist therefore prays that the Board of Revenue will be pleased to transfer the lien of Mr. Appavu David who holds a lien in this party only nominally to Party No.I (Old party No. IV) where he had been working from the date of his entertainment and thus shift the vacancy to Party No. II, or, in the alternative, he prays that his name may be recommended to the Special Settlement Officer of Party No. III for appointment as Head Clerk.

In this connection the memorialist begs to submit that the former request, if approved, would not only benefit a senior most man in the grade and would also reduce the Travelling allowance charges that would otherwise have to be met by the interchange of officers from one party to another.

The memorialist begs to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P. Vaidyanathaswamy

Addl. Supervisor

No. 1454 C/44.

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Read: From the C.E.(I) no 1623/43-C-2 dt 12-7-43.

From the Bd of Rev. Refce No. G1486-43-5 dt 22.5.44 ~~24.7.43~~

G.O. Ms. 1275 dt 23 June 44

In the circumstances reported in his letter submitted with the Board's reference read above, the Collector of Bellary has proposed that the nirgantis employed on the Basavanna and Raya Channels in the Bellary District should be replaced by lascars who will be under the control of the P.W.D. The proposal involves the removal of fifteen nirgantis and the appointment in their place of nine lascars and one irrigation gumasta.

The Govt approve the proposal.

2. The Bd of Rev is requested to instruct the Collector to take the past services of the ringantis referred to in para 1 above into consideration if they apply for the posts of village servants which may fall vacant.

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Jo (with the Collector of Bellary's D.Dis. nos 2368/34, 2769/35 and 3322/42 [illegible])

The Bd of Rev (1589/63)

(4) A.G. (through fin)

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channels –

. Irrigation – Bellary dt – Raya and Basavanna channels – silt clearance, repairs

No. 2239 P/43. From the Govt. of Madras and Kamalapuram dt. – 3 cf

dated 18-4-43.

Endt to the C.E (I) No. 2239 P/43-1 dated 26.4.43.
From the C.E (I) No. 1623/43-C.2 dated 27-7-43.
From the BR Rev No. G. 486-43-1 dated 24.7.43
——— do ——— No. G. 486-43-5 dated 22.5.44

TO 4.5.

In April 1943 the ryots of Kalapanagudi and Kamalapuram villages, Bellary dt. submitted petitions to the Govt. —

(1) that silt should be removed from the Raya and Basavanna channels,

(2) that leakages in the sluices of the said channels should be stopped and suitable improvements made to the sluices,

(3) that the dual control of the Nirgantees should be removed, and

(4) that conferences of ryots should be held to represent their difficulties.

Points (1) and (2) above. Suitable action has been taken in the matter. Please see the C.E's report in para 2 on p 5 cf. the S.E's remarks in para 5 on p 8 cf and the Collector's report at X on p 13 cf. No action is called for in these points

Point (4). Please see the S.E's remarks in para 5 (v). and the Collector's remarks at Y on p 13 cf. In the circumstances no action is called for on this point also.

Point (3). The Collector and the Board of Rev recommend

of the C-E (I) that the Mirasdars should be replaced by Lascars who will be under the control of the P.W.D. The proposal involves the removal of 15 mirasdars and replacing appointing in their place 9 lascars and 1 irrigation gumasta. The financial effect of the proposal is shown below:

Cost of 15 mirasdars (15 × 8 × 12) Rs 1440 per annum
Cost of 9 lascars (9 × (Rs 12 + Rs 10) A) × 12 = Rs 2376 "
Cost of 1 Irrigation gumasta (Rs 21½ an. Rs + Rs 10 D.A × 12) Rs 378 "

Extra cost involved (Rs 2378 + Rs 378 − Rs 1440

The Collector has stated that the change will effect improvement in the system of management and an addition in the cost of repairs to the channels it means that the extra costs will be sufficiently compensated ... Under section 6 (2) of the Madras Hereditary Village-Offices Act (Act III of 1895), 1895 the Board of Rev can dispense with the mirasdars subject to the approval of the Govt. ... It is submitted for orders whether the proposal at A above and the recommendation of the Board at X on p 15/4 may be approved. Papers in this case for remarks if so the file may be sent to Fin for necessary action

The recommendation of the Bd may be approved

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To A.S.

Please see the notes of R.W. above. The Bd's recommendation may be approved. Subject to orders, a draft order is submitted for approval. If it may be sent to Fin for acceptance

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 18 JUN 1944

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 20477 REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Finance (E.I.)

The outstanding point in this file is about the replacement of Nirgantis employed on the Basavanna and Raya channels in the Bellary district by P.W.D. lascars. The position is explained in the P.W.D. note under point (3) on pp. 1-2 above. It is stated that the Nirgantis in question do not hold any inamlands and so the question of withdrawing the inam lands as suggested in paragraph 3 on p. 5-C.F. does not arise.

The change is expected to result in the improvement of ~~existing conditions~~ the condition of the channels and the extra cost involved is Rs. 1,314 per annum.

Submitted that in the circumstances explained, the draft order may be accepted in Finance and the case returned to Revenue.

A copy of the order may go to the I.G.E. also.

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TELEPHONIC MESSAGE.

From: The Dy C E (I)

To: A.S. P.W.D.

Ref Lr. No. M. 1275 Revenue dt 23.6.44 Re Channels - Bellary - Basavanna and Raya channel - Nirgan Replacement by wooden Please send for Refee. Copies of C E (I)'s Letter No. 1623/43 C. dt 12.7.43 & the Boards' Refee No. G. 486-43-5/22-5-44 Refer to in the above Lr. as the Dist ~~Lr~~ file containing the above Refees. is not readily avail

Please write on both sides.

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Chepauk. Madras. 29th March 1949.

Telephonic Message dated 29-3-49 from the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, To the Assistant Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Madras.

Sub:- Channels - Bellary - Basavannah and Raya cha Nirgantis - Replacement by lascars.

Ref:- G.O.No.Ms. 1275 Rev. dated 23-6-44.

Please send for reference copies of Chief Engineer (Irrigation)'s letter No.1623/43 C-2 dated 12-7-43 and the Board's reference No. G.486-43-5/22-5-44 referred to in the above G.O. as the original file containing the above references is not readily available.

Copy forwarded by post in confirmation.

V A R Krishnaswami 31/3/49
For Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To: the Assistant Secretary,
Public Works Department, Madras. ✓

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